Alumni, we want to hear what you’ve been doing. Mail career, wedding, birth and death news to: WyoGrams, UW Alumni Association, 222 S. 22nd St., Laramie, WY 82070; email us @ uwalumni@uwyo.edu; fax (307) 766-6824; or online at uwyo.edu/alumni. Photos may be sent to uwalumni@uwyo.edu for consideration. Read more in-depth WyoGrams at uwyo.edu/alumni, or log into your WyoAlumni account and navigate to wyoalumni.uwyo.edu/wyograms.

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Cody Johnson, B.S. ’90, physical education, M.S. ’94, food science and nutrition, is the associate pastor for youth and family life at Snowy Range Evangelical Free Church in Laramie.

Benjamin Bryan, B.S. ’03, architectural engineering, played an integral role in launching a spacecraft to explore an asteroid in our solar system, the OSIRIS-REx. It launched into space Sept. 8 and will travel to “Bennu,” a carbonaceous asteroid whose rocky material may record the earliest history of our solar system.

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Greg Hill, B.S. ’83, mechanical engineering, will chair an executive steering committee of Gov. Matt Mead, the ENDOW Initiative. This initiative is a comprehensive effort to improve the state’s economy. Hill is a senior executive with the Hess Corp.

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Ugo Udezue, B.S. ’01, communications, is the CEO of the African Basketball League. He is a change maker who is shaking up the status quo and help build a better Africa. Udezue’s love affair with basketball began at a young age, which led to him representing the Nigerian national team and offered him opportunities to go to the United States. Udezue was a standout player for the Cowboys from 1997–2001. Upon graduating from UW, Udezue became an agent in the NBA, and it was his experiences working at the pinnacle of the sport which eventually led to the creation of the African Basketball League. He is working hard to create opportunities for talented African players. Udezue hopes the African Basketball League, modeled after the NBA, can provide both a social and economic platform for Nigeria. The African Basketball League has grown quickly and currently consists of six teams playing in four different countries. Udezue lived in Denver and continues his work as an agent.

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Darcee Snider, B.A. ’07, communications, received an award from Southern Public Relations Federation for her outstanding work in public relations.

2010
Mike Achacoso, MBA ’13, was recently named vice president of marketing for HollyFrontier Corp.’s U.S. fuels marketing division. His previous assignment was vice president and refinery manager for HollyFrontier’s Cheyenne refinery.

Faryn Babbitt, B.S. ’11, communication, has been promoted to executive director of the Albany County Safe Project.

Dr. Ashley M. Bowland, B.S. ’12, family and consumer science, has joined Rodney Hill DDS in Casper.

Mason Finley, Exp. ’14, theater and dance, placed 11th in the Olympic discus. He was the first American to compete in the finals rounds since 2004.

Andrew Joannides, B.S. ’11, communication, is the assistant athletic director for development at Northern Illinois University.

Sagan (Hunsaker) Wheeler, B.A. ’10, communication, M.S. ’13, counseling, recently became the human resources generalist at Ivinson Memorial Hospital in Laramie.

Weddings

Brooke Renee Arnold, B.S. ’10, M.S. ’12, accounting, and Brian Rochelle, married 8/27/16.


Arrivals
Kyle Bryan Hughes OD, B.S. ’06, biology/physiology, and Heidi Ann Hughes OD, a daughter, Lily Amalia Hughes on 8/20/2016.


Holly (Hunter) Wheeler, B.A. ’12, anthropology, is participating in a fellowship in New Delhi, India, where she is an English teacher at Shyama Prasad Vidyalaya Senior Secondary School.

In Memoriam
Thomas Bell, B.S. ’48, M.S. ’57, zoology and physiology, 8/30/16. A famed Wyoming conservationist and UW honorary doctorate recipient, Bell is survived by his children, 20 grandchildren, numerous great-grandchildren and 10 nieces and nephews.

Donald F. Cardinal, B.S. ’58, geology, 6/27/16. Survivors include his wife, three daughters, son and others.

Christopher De Young, B.S. ’97, B.S. ’99, psychology and nursing, 9/21/16. Survivors include his wife, two children, mother, stepfather and others.

Peggi Highfill Duell, B.S. ’88, economics, 8/3/16. Survivors include her two daughters and their husbands and a granddaughter.

Ronald L. Davis, B.S. ’61, agriculture, 5/14/16. Survivors include his wife, two children and three grandchildren.

Verne Allen Hamlin, B.A. ’59, social science, 10/7/16. Survivors include his wife, daughter, son and others.

Leon Hetherington, B.S. ’60, geology, J.D. ’67, 8/3/16. Survivors include his wife, stepson and two granddaughters.

Roy A. Holcomb, B.S. ’82, 3/20/15. Survivors include his wife, Jacqueline, and his three sons, Charles, Peter and Thomas of Westfield, Ind.

Mary Pond Hopkins, B.A., M.A. ’71, music and music education, 7/11/16. Survivors include two sons, a brother and others.

Tolin W “Nick” Hodgell, B.S. ’63, business administration. Survivors include his wife, three daughters and six grandchildren.

Everett Killman, B.S. ’64, Ph.D. ’73, civil engineering, 9/13/16. Survivors include two sons and three grandchildren.

James J. Finnerty, B.S. ’65, M.S. ’73, chemistry and science, 6/8/16. Survivors include his wife, children, grandchildren and others.

Harold Fosher, B.S. ’57, animal production, 8/2/16. Survivors include his wife, son and four grandchildren.

Jo-Ann Garberg, B.A. ’66, elementary education, 8/5/16. Survivors include his husband, children, stepchildren and grandchildren.

Carolyn Kay (Kelley) Sorensen, B.A. ’60, sociology, 04/21/16. Survivors include her son, sister and others.

Sandra “Sandy” Joy Lowry, ’84, 9/19/16. Survivors include her son, grandchildren and others.

Joyce Tate Harriett-Lowden, B.A. ’50, psychology. 1/24/16. Kappa Kappa Gamma. Survivors include two daughters, two sons, grandchildren and others.


Susan Kamm Milligan, B.S. ’72, biology education, 6/5/16. Survivors include her husband, two daughters and son.


Margaret Burns Page, Exp. ’49, education, 7/4/16. Survivors include her four children, 11 grandchildren and others.

Lois Payton, B.A. ’85, art, 6/19/16. Survivors include her husband, mother and brother.

Joe Pinter, B.A. ’71, elementary education, 8/24/16. Survivors include his wife, three children and others.

Beth Radich, B.A. ’83, M.A., ’89, special education, 7/25/16. Survivors include her parents, siblings and others.

Lynn Rees, J.D., ’48, law 9/10/16. Survivors include children, sister, grandchildren and others.

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UW AUTHORS CORNER

Clock Strikes Three by John Bradford Branney, B.S. ’77, geology, is his seventh novel. Our parents have conditioned us from an early age to trust our doctors. Most people believe that doctors have their patients’ best interests at heart. What happens when a well-respected psychiatrist believes he is above the law and he manipulates his patients to get them to carry out a twisted form of vigilante justice?

Inga by Scott Farris, B.S. ’79, journalism, M.A. ’04, history. Inga Arvad was the great love of President John F. Kennedy’s life and also Adolf Hitler’s special guest at the 1936 Berlin Olympics. She was an actress, a foreign correspondent, a popular Washington columnist, an explorer who lived among a tribe of headhunters, one of Hollywood’s most influential gossip columnists and a suspected Nazi spy.

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**RECENT NFL COWBOYS**

**Mitch Unrein, DT, B.A. ’09,**
criminal justice, (2010 free agent)
Houston Texans/Denver Broncos/San Diego Chargers/Chicago Bears (2010–present)

**Chris Prosinski, DB, B.S. ’10,**

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